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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/637,500; Filed: August 11, 2000  
For: **High Performance RISC Instruction Set Digital Signal Processor  
Having Circular Buffer and Looping Controls (as amended)**  
Inventors: GELINAS *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1778.2090001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$120.00 to cover a one (1) month extension of time fee;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, with thirty-three (33) sheets of Replacement Drawings including Figures 1-6, 7A-7C, 8A-8D, 9, 10, 11A-11C, 12A-12B, 13A-13B, 14-16 and 17A-17H attached; and
4. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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